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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS APPROVE UPDATES AND AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

FREDERICK, MD – The Board of County Commissioners today approved updates and amendments to the Frederick County Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP). The updates and amendments are a result of changes required by the Maryland Department of the Environment and two legislative bills passed by the Maryland General Assembly in the 2012 legislative session, as well as general updates made to keep the SWMP accurate with current practices.

The recent Maryland legislation is of particular note and required SWMP updates to address new recycling requirements for multi-family properties. The new provision (MD Environment Annotated Code Section 9-1711) requires owners/managers of apartment buildings or councils of unit owners of condominiums that contain 10 or more units to provide residents with the opportunity for recycling, on or before October 1, 2014. The legislation also requires that multifamily recycling be done in accordance with the County Recycling Plan and authorizes a county to require reporting of such recycling activities.

Frederick County Commissioner President Blaine R. Young stated, “This Board continues our commitment and dedication to serious solid waste management and oversight for our residents and rate payers.”

The Frederick County Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) can be found in its entirety at www.FrederickCountyMD.Gov/SWMP.

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